

ECONOMY 3mm

INSTALLATION GUIDE

Recommended Tools

Circular saw, jig saw or hand saw

Measuring tape ■

Ruler I

Pencil ■

High-grab adhesive ■

Silicone sealant & silicone gun

Masking tape ■

Power drill & screwdriver

Pre-installation check-list	Checked?
Inspect panels & profiles for any flaws, defects or damage*	Y/N
Check colour, pattern and sheen levels match between all panels and profiles.	Y/N
Ensure grout lines will align between panels by dry-jointing and trimming to suit.	Y/N
Remove polycoating from the decorative face that WILL NOT be used, when fitting Embossed Multipanel Economy 3mm.	Y/N
If fitted by a tradesman, colour, pattern & condition should be approved by end user prior to installation	Y/N
Please ensure to read this guide in full before commencing installation	Y/N

^{*}Panels are supplied with protective polycoating. This should be carefully peeled back to inspect the laminate surface, and replaced for installation. Once installation has commenced, the panels are deemed to have arrived in perfect condition – any of the above reported after installation will not be covered by your warranty.

CONDITIONING AND STORAGE



Panels should always be carried by two people



Panels should not be stored in areas of high humidity



Do not store outside or lean at an angle against a wall



Store in cool dry conditions between 5-25°C



Store flat and horizontal to prevent bowing



Condition panels & adhesive at room temp. for 48-72 hours

WALL PREPARATION, HANDLING AND CUTTING

Panels can be fixed to most surfaces including tiles, concrete, plaster, plasterboard, and chipboard/plywood walls providing they are sound and flat.



Timber grounds should be applied over poor surfaces, set as appropriate. These should be skimmed or packed off the wall as required to ensure they are all true and plumb.

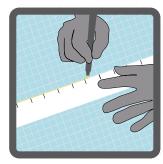


To ensure your Economy 3mm panels are properly bonded, ensure all surfaces to which adhesive will be applied are clean and dry.



Gloves should be worn at all times when handling panels.

Protective eye-wear should be worn when cutting panels.



Measure and mark your required cutting line, ensuring grout lines match prior to cutting and installation.



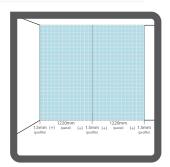
WALL PREPARATION, HANDLING AND CUTTING



When using an upward cutting blade (jigsaw) or a circular saw, panels should be cut face down to avoid chipping.



Continue the above steps, finishing with end caps if required.



Remember to allow for the thickness of the profiles when making measurements.

METAL SECTION RANGE - supplied in 2.45m lengths



FIXING PANELS AND PROFILES

All panels must be properly sealed at all vertical edges, whether they are being attached to profiles or shower enclosures. Panels must also ALWAYS be silicone sealed at the base. Inadequate sealing will invalidate your warranty. If the seal starts to deteriorate, it must be re-sealed immediately, and not allow moisture to penetrate joints or junctions.





The first profile – normally start with a Type J Internal Corner or Type F End Cap – This should be fixed to the wall or end grounds with high grab adhesive or countersunk screws, and a bead of silicone sealant applied to the channel.



Apply silicone to the inside of the first profile.



WALL PREPARATION, HANDLING AND CUTTING





Apply silicone sealant to the channel of the second profile and attach it to the long edge of the first panel.



Apply high grab adhesive to the reverse of the panel, angle into the first profile and push firmly against the wall.

Alternatively, you can apply adhesive directly to the wall or timber framework.

SHOWER TRAYS AND BATHS

• Economy 3mm can be fitted with a 3mm gap between the bottom edge of the panel and the shower tray or bath, sealing the gap with silicone sealant (see fig.A)

WET AREAS

• In wet areas, Economy 3mm can be set in a Type F capping section, and sealed to the floor finish. (see fig. B)

FITTING VALVES AND CONTROLS

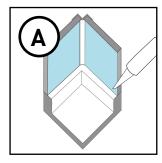
 When cutting apertures through, or drilling into Economy 3mm, a 2mm clearance gap should be left around all edges, and sealed with silicone sealant.

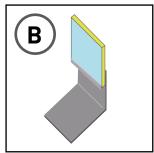
ADHESIVES AND SEALANTS

 Multipanel[®] High Grab Panel Adhesive and Sealant are available to order from your local distributor or showroom.

AFTERCARE

 Once installed, your Economy 3mm requires minimal maintenance. Economy 3mm should be cleaned with warm water and a non-abrasive mild detergent. Scouring products or similar products should not be used, and doing so may invalidate your warranty.

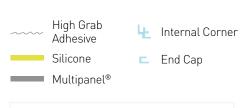






STANDARD INSTALLATIONS

Corner installation detail



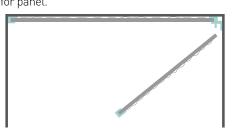
Note: Do not overfill the profiles with silicone as this can make it difficult to push the panel into the profile, a suitable bead should be used to create a seal.



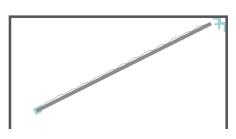
3. Push panel into internal corner and press against wall firmly, clean any excess silicone from corner.



1. Fit Internal Corner in corner (either glued or screw fixed). Silicone one side of Type A internal corner with bead of silicone ready for panel.



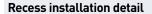
- 4. Silicone other side of internal corner with silicone ready panel.
- 5. Repeat steps 2 & 3.



2. Spread high grab adhesive on back of panel. Fit end cap on panel with silicone cleaning excess of decorative face side.



- 6. Panels are now ready for shower cubicle to be fitted if required.
- 7. Fix through panel into wall behind for secure fixing.





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- 2. Silicone one side of Type A internal corner with bead of silicone ready for panel.



- 6. Silicone other side of internal corner with silicone ready panel.
- 7. Repeat steps 2 & 3, fitting an end cap if required.



- 3. Spread high grab adhesive on back of panel.
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8. Again repeat steps 2 & 3, fitting an end cap if required.



5. Push panel into internal corner and press against wall firmly, clean any excess silicone from corner.

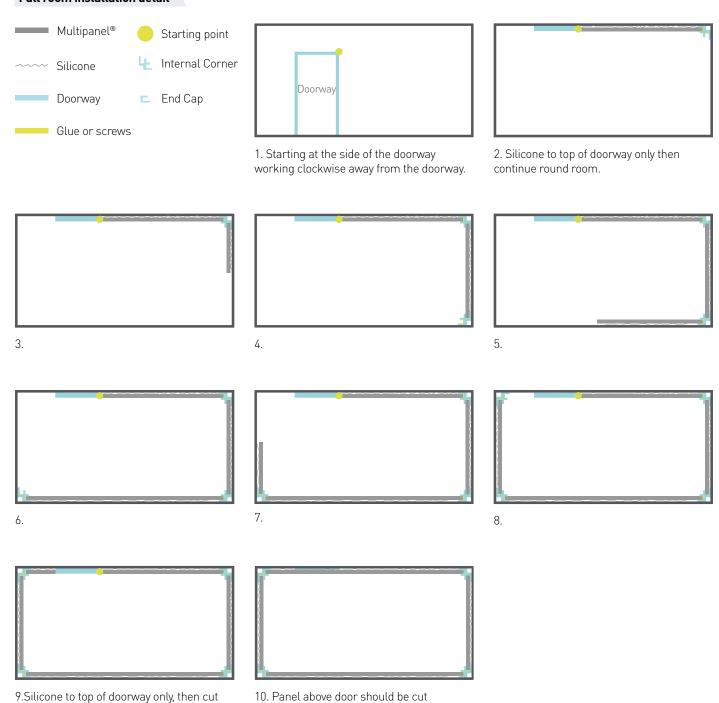


- 9. Panels now ready for cubicle door to be fitted if required.
- 10. Please fix through panel into wall behind for secure fixing.



Full room installation detail

panel for above door.



accurately. Joints to panels either side

should be siliconed.



DOMESTIC WARRANTY

Grant Westfield offers a 1 year warranty that Economy 3mm panels will not crack, blister or delaminate and will remain watertight if fitted and sealed in accordance with our published recommendations.

In the event of a successful claim under your Economy 3mm guarantee we will replace the panels, but will only cover any claims for consequential costs under exceptional circumstances where a defective panel prohibits ordinary use of the surrounding area, eq. cannot take a shower.

Multipanel® High Grab Panel Adhesive must be used and is available to order from your local distributor or showroom.

This guarantee does not cover failure of the product due to:

- Faulty installation.
- Incorrect maintenance or storage panels should not be leaned against walls, or balanced between tressels and should be conditioned at room temperature for 48 - 72 hours prior to installation.
- Damage or misuse.
- Protective film not being removed from the reverse of Economy 3mm.

Prior to installation the following checks should be carried out and any gueries reported, as claims of this nature will not be covered after installation:

- Colour matching and sheen levels between all panels and profiles.
- Ensure grout lines will align between panels by dry-jointing and trimming to suit.
- If panels are to be fitted by a tradesman then colours and condition should be approved by the customer.
- Flaws or defects in laminate although unlikely. Where protective poly coating has text over printed, this should be carefully peeled back to inspect the surface and replaced for installation. This is particularly important where the poly-coating bears printed text which might obscure areas of the surface.

This quarantee does not confer any rights other than those set out above and claims for consequential loss or damage are excluded. This guarantee does not affect your statutory rights as a consumer.

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